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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application, being filed herewith, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel, without prejudice or disclaimer, claims 1-50. *✓*

Kindly add the following new claims.

*a1*  
51. (new) A multivalent MHC fusion complex comprising two or more linked MHC fusion complexes,

wherein each MHC fusion complex comprises a MHC class II molecule that contains a peptide-biding groove, a presenting peptide covalently linked to an N-terminus of the MHC